

ASSIGNEES OF DAVID BEARD.

MAY 25, 1842.

Read, and laid upon the table.

Mr. GIDDINGS, from the Committee of Claims, made the following

REPORT:

*The Committee of Claims, to which was referred the petition of Richard S. Cox, assignee of David Beard, deceased, report:*

That this claim was presented to Congress in the name of David Beard, and an unfavorable report made thereon by the Committee of Claims of the House of Representatives at the 1st session of the 19th Congress.

Again, after a full examination of the case as presented in the name of Parthenia Beard, daughter of the said David, and a correspondence with the Third Auditor of the Treasury on the subject, the Committee of Claims made an unfavorable report thereon at the 1st session of the 24th Congress, (No. 713.) It was again reported against by the Committee of Claims at the 3d session of the 25th Congress, (No. 49.) The case was again referred to the same committee at the 1st session of the 26th Congress, (No. 41,) and an unfavorable report made, adopting, as part thereof, report No. 713, of the 1st session 24th Congress.

The case is now again before the Committee of Claims, in the name of Richard S. Cox, assignee of David Beard, without a vestige of additional proof or evidence having the slightest tendency to change the views of the committee as to the merits of the claim. Under the circumstances of this case, the committee cannot help expressing their regret that some rule of the House has not been adopted, declaring it out of order to withdraw any case from the files of the clerk's office, for the purpose of referring it to a committee, which has been twice reported against, until it is accompanied with such new evidence as would affect the merits of the claim.

The committee recommend to the House the adoption of the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the petitioner is not entitled to relief.

